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Dear Busby Family,

What a year this has been! Even right up until the last days, we have had changes and uncertainty to manage but we found our way to the end. On behalf of all the staff, I would like to say a huge thank you for all the kind gifts and messages of support and thanks that have made their way to the school. We do always say 'it is just our job' and that still holds true, but whilst we have navigated the last few months, trying to ensure we supported you as best as we could, we could never know for sure and it has been truly wonderful hearing that you have continue to feel part of that journey too.

Although we have a little uncertainty left for August, we will keep you informed of any further changes over the holiday period. A full return is what we are all hoping for but whatever the outcome of the next few weeks are, we know we are ready to welcome back our pupils on **Wednesday 12th August**. I cannot end the year without recognition for everything my staff have done in the last three weeks in planning and preparing the school, and their commitment to creating a safe and nurturing environment will be a real strength in the next session. We still intend to follow elements of the guidance we issued both last Friday and earlier this week, but will confirm all plans once we have official guidance from the Scottish Government later in the Summer.

Our google classrooms will remain open over the summer, should you wish to access any of the work, however please note that staff will not be monitoring over the holiday period and no new work will be issued.

I hope you have a wonderful summer break, and that the beautiful weather returns to keep us fit and active until we return. It has been a privilege to develop our community bonds that little bit more recently despite the circumstances, and I look forward to continuing to build on this strength with the new session.

Yours sincerely,

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